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“HUSBAND AND WIFE SENTENCED TO LENGTHY PRISON TERMS FOR TRAFFICKING IN METHAMPHETAMINE”

Spokane – Today, James A. McDevitt, United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Washington, announced that Kasey Ann Willard, age 35, and Daniel Todd Case, age 47, were sentenced to prison terms for methamphetamine trafficking. They were married in 2006 and were living in Spokane. Today, Kasey A. Willard was sentenced to 168 months in prison, to be followed by a five-year term of court supervision. At the time she committed the drug trafficking offenses, Kasey A. Willard was on probation as a result of a federal conviction in 2006 for bank fraud. During the sentencing hearing, the Court revoked Kasey A. Willard’s probation and imposed a concurrent 30-month prison term. On March 5, 2009, Daniel T. Case was sentenced to a 70-month prison term and a four-year term of court supervision.

Kasey A. Willard pleaded guilty to one count of distribution of a mixture containing methamphetamine and to one count of attempting to possess with the intent to distribute 50 grams or more of pure methamphetamine. Daniel T. Case pleaded guilty to one count of conspiracy to distribute 50 grams or more of a mixture containing methamphetamine.

The evidence established that Kasey A. Willard and Daniel T. Case distributed methamphetamine on two occasions in transactions that the Drug Enforcement Administration monitored during July of 2007. After Daniel T. Case was taken into state custody in August of 2007 for violating his conditions of release on a prior sentence, Kasey A. Willard attempted to acquire a pound of methamphetamine from an undercover officer. She brought \$5,000 in cash to the meeting as a down payment on the pound.

Kasey A. Willard had several prior state felony convictions, to include a 1998 conviction in Spokane County Superior Court for delivery of methamphetamine. Daniel T. Case likewise had several prior state felony convictions, to include a 2002 conviction in Spokane County Superior Court for manufacture of methamphetamine.

U.S. Attorney James A. McDevitt stated: “Methamphetamine inflicts great harm both on the individuals who quickly become addicted to the drug and on our community. Individuals who become addicted frequently see their lives spiral downward and see their families torn apart. Our community sees an increase in crimes such as robberies, burglaries, identity theft, vehicle theft, and fraud that methamphetamine users commit to support their drug addiction. Lengthy prison terms for methamphetamine traffickers such as Kasey A. Willard and Daniel T. Case hold them accountable for the harms that flow from their conduct and prevent them from resuming the distribution of the poison into the community.”

Task Force Officers with the Drug Enforcement Administration conducted the investigation that led to the prosecution. A detective from the Washington State Patrol worked on the investigation in an undercover capacity. Special Assistant U.S. Attorney Tom Hopkins and Assistant U.S. Attorney Russ Smoot prosecuted the case.

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